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MEDIA ADVISORY

Ald. Wade to join calls for creation of Office on African American affairs

Milwaukee Common Council member Willie C. Wade will join Milwaukee County Supervisor Khalif Rainey and State Rep. Leon Young in front of the Milwaukee County Courthouse Wells Street entrance tomorrow to call for the creation of an Office on African American Affairs.

"It will take all levels of government working in conjunction with one another to begin to address the issues and disparities facing the African American community in Milwaukee and across Wisconsin," Alderman Wade said. "The creation of an Office on African American Affairs would provide a forum for policymakers to frame every decision based on its potential impact on our underserved communities."

Alderman Wade said he plans to introduce a resolution calling for the creation of a City of Milwaukee Office on African American Affairs, which will mirror legislation sponsored by Supervisor Rainey at the county level. As its primary objectives, the office would examine and define issues central to the rights and needs of African Americans, recommend changes in programs and laws that disproportionately impact African Americans, develop and implement policies, plans and programs related to the special needs of African Americans, and promote equal opportunities for African Americans.

What: Ald. Wade news conference

with Sup. Rainey and Rep. Young

When: Wednesday, October 28, 8:45 a.m.

Where: Milwaukee County Courthouse

Wells Street Entrance